

## CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method of storing client device profiles on a server, said method  
5 comprising:

accessing information that identifies properties of a wireless client  
device, wherein said information is received in Extensible Markup Language  
(XML) form;

creating a node for said wireless client device in a software directory  
10 resident on said server; and

storing said information identifying properties of said wireless client  
device as attributes of said node in said software directory, wherein said  
information for said wireless client device is stored in other than said XML form.

15 2. The method of Claim 1 wherein said server is a portal server.

3. The method of Claim 1 wherein said server is a directory server  
coupled to a portal server.

20 4. The method of Claim 1 wherein said software directory comprises  
a Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) directory comprising a node for  
each of a plurality of wireless client devices, wherein an LDAP Directory  
Information Tree (DIT) is created for each of said wireless client devices.

25 5. The method of Claim 1 further comprising parsing said information  
received in said XML form prior to said creating and storing.

6. The method of Claim 1 further comprising fetching an attribute from said software directory.

7. The method of Claim 1 further comprising modifying an attribute in  
5 said software directory.

8. A computer system comprising:  
a memory unit; and  
a processor coupled to said memory unit, said processor for executing a  
10 method of storing client device profiles, said method comprising:  
accessing information that identifies properties of a wireless client  
device, wherein said information is received in Extensible Markup  
Language (XML) form;  
creating a node for said wireless client device in a software  
15 directory; and  
storing said information identifying properties of said wireless  
client device as attributes of said node in said software directory, wherein  
said information for said wireless client device is stored in other than said  
XML form.

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9. The computer system of Claim 8 wherein said computer system is  
a portal server.

10. The computer system of Claim 8 wherein said computer system is  
25 a directory server coupled to a portal server.

11. The computer system of Claim 8 wherein said software directory comprises a Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) directory comprising a node for each of a plurality of wireless client devices, wherein an LDAP Directory Information Tree (DIT) is created for each of said wireless client  
5 devices.

12. The computer system of Claim 8 wherein said method further comprises parsing said information received in said XML form prior to said creating and storing.

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13. The computer system of Claim 8 wherein said method further comprises fetching an attribute from said software directory.

14. The computer system of Claim 8 wherein said method further  
15 comprises modifying an attribute in said software directory.

15. A computer-usable medium having computer-readable program code embodied therein for causing a computer system to perform a method of storing client device profiles, said method comprising:  
20 receiving information that identifies properties of a wireless client device, wherein said information is received in Extensible Markup Language (XML) form;  
creating a node for said wireless client device in a software directory; and  
storing said information identifying properties of said wireless client  
25 device as attributes of said node in said software directory, wherein said information for said wireless client device is stored in other than said XML form.

16. The computer-usable medium of Claim 15 wherein said computer system is a portal server.

17. The computer-usable medium of Claim 15 wherein said computer  
5 system is a directory server coupled to a portal server.

18. The computer-usable medium of Claim 15 wherein said software directory comprises a Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) directory comprising a node for each of a plurality of wireless client devices, wherein an  
10 LDAP Directory Information Tree (DIT) is created for each of said wireless client devices.

19. The computer-usable medium of Claim 15 wherein said computer-readable program code embodied therein causes said computer system to  
15 perform said method further comprising parsing said information received in said XML form prior to said creating and storing.

20. The computer-usable medium of Claim 15 wherein said computer-readable program code embodied therein causes said computer system to  
20 perform said method further comprising fetching an attribute from said software directory.

21. The computer-usable medium of Claim 15 wherein said computer-readable program code embodied therein causes said computer system to  
25 perform said method further comprising modifying an attribute in said software directory.

22. The computer-usable medium of Claim 15 wherein said information is received from a data base resident on said computer system.

23. The computer-usable medium of Claim 15 wherein said  
5 information is received from another device in communication with said computer system.